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## JULY 1 U.S. CATTLE INVENTORY DOWN SLIGHTLY

All **cattle and calves** in the **United States** as of July 1, 2011, totaled 100.0 million head, 1 percent below the 101.1 million on July 1, 2010, according to Heather DePra with the Wyoming Field Office of USDA's National Ag Statistics Service. Estimates for Wyoming are not made in July, but as previously reported on January 1, 2010 the inventory of all cattle and calves in Wyoming totaled 1.30 million head, down 1.5 percent from the previous year.

For the U.S., all **cows and heifers that have calved**, at 40.6 million, were down 1 percent from July 1, 2010 but up slightly from the January 1, 2011 estimate. **Beef cows**, at 31.4 million, were down from last July, 1 percent, but up from the January 1, 2010 estimate of 30.9 million. **Milk cows**, at 9.2 million, were up 1 percent compared to July 1, 2010 and also up slightly from this year's January 1 estimate.

Other U.S. class estimates on July 1, 2011, and the changes from July 1, 2010, are as follows:

- \* **All heifers** 500 pounds and over, 16.0 million, down 1 percent
- \* **Beef replacement heifers**, 4.2 million, down 5 percent
- \* **Milk replacement heifers**, 4.2 million, up 4 percent
- \* **Other heifers**, 7.6 million, down 2 percent
- \* **Steers** weighing 500 pounds and over, 14.2 million, down 1 percent
- \* **Bulls** weighing 500 pounds and over, 2.0 million, down 5 percent
- \* **Calves under 500 pounds**, 27.2 million, down 1 percent
- \* **All cattle and calves on feed** for slaughter, 12.2 million, up 3 percent

## CALF CROP DOWN 1 PERCENT

The **2011 U.S. calf crop** is expected to be 35.5 million, down 1 percent from 2010. Calves born during the first half of the year are estimated at 25.8 million, down slightly from 2010.

## Cattle Inventory – United States: July 1

